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BOIL WATER ORDER ISSUED FOR SEVERAL COUNTY AREAS

Residents of Lake Cuyamaca and Wynola Communities Notified of Safety Concern

The San Diego County Department of Environmental Health (DEH) warns that water in two unincorporated areas of San Diego County may not be fit to drink.

Residents belonging to the North Peak Mutual Water Company, and the Cuyamaca Water District, both in the Lake Cuyamaca area, and the residents of the Wynola Mutual Water District should use boiled tap water for drinking and cooking purposes as a safety precaution until further notice. Water should boil for at least one minute and allowed to cool before using.

An alternative method of purification for residents that do not have gas or electricity available is the use of liquid household bleach. To do so, add eight drops (1/4 teaspoon) of bleach per gallon of clear water or 16 drops (1/2 teaspoon) per gallon of cloudy water, mix thoroughly and allow to stand for 30 minutes before using. A chlorine-like taste and odor are normal and an indication that adequate disinfection has taken place. Water purification tablets are another option – follow manufacturers' instructions.

Potable water is available at Julian Community Services District.

For more information, the public can contact DEH at (858) 694-3718 during normal business hours.

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